The South 40

Contest for grains set

By JAMES A. SMITH
Extension Agent

There has been some interest in the Small Grain Yield Contest. This is for barley and/or wheat producers. Only need two acres to qualify. We would like to have a dozen entries this year. If your small grain looks good, why not get involved.

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Serious concerns continue to exist about brucellosis. Four new cases last week brings the known infection to fourteen herds. Testing and vaccination of all heifers is essential. Everyone needs to get the vaccination done on time--when the heifers are 4 to 12 months of age.

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Some gardeners are apparently pushing things just a little. The pretty days of late February and early March suggested planting, but some growers have already experienced losses.

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Crops such as broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, brussel sprouts and lettuce can be safely transplanted two to three weeks before the last average frost date. The use of "hot caps" can add another 2 to 3 weeks to this figure. Remember, nothing beats warm, moist soil and above freezing nights.

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All garden transplants would probably benefit from the use of a starter solution. Starter solutions can be bought or made.

To make a solution, add 4 to 6 tablespoons of soluble fertilizer to a gallon of water. Mix well and put a cup to each plant, or put one tablespoon of regular fertilizer in three gallons of water. Stir well and allow to set for a couple of hours. Then use a cup per plant. Be careful not to get the solution on the plants' leaves as burning may occur.

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1900 head of cattle have been consigned to the first Lynchburg Feeder Sale and 1300 to the second sale.

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FDA has approved the sale of a medicated feed supplement block containing Rumensin. It is designed to provide adequate levels (80 to 200 milligrams) of Rumensin per day for cattle 400 pounds and over (not cows). Research has demonstrated at these levels average daily gain on pasture can be increased 0.2 lb. per day. The block is a molasses-mineral block that provides calcium and phosphorus at a 1.3 to 1 ratio, trace minerals and vitamins A and D. No additional salt is needed.

Remember--Rumensin is toxic to horses.

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Need information on growing sorghum this year? Call or come by and ask for "Sorghums for Silage," MA-267, and "Grain Sorghum in Virginia," MA-266.

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Good news!! We understand that 95% of the Florida tobacco producers used Ridomil in their plant beds.

The Virginia Advisory for blue mold--Control blue mold in the plant bed and treat for blue mold control in the field.

It is now legal in Virginia to tank mix Ridomil 2E and Furandan 4F. Follow directions---may be used for fire-cured or flue tobacco.

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There's still time to soil test--only takes about a week turn-around time. With current fertilizer prices, it will probably pay. We've seen some very low pH levels in recent weeks. No amount of fertilizer will substitute for lime.

Happiness is 4-H

By FRANK H. SWEET
Extension Agent

The County 4-H Demonstration Contest for junior members will be held at Appomattox Elementary School this coming Saturday, March 28. The program will begin at 9:30 a.m. and should be over by 11:30 a.m. Parents of 4-H'ers are invited to watch the demonstrations and illustrated talks that will be presented by the 4-H'ers. Last year, more than 70 4-H'ers presented demonstrations or illustrated talks.

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Four Appomattox Senior 4-H'ers have won expense paid trips through their 4-H Achievement Records. David Caldwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Caldwell, will attend National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C. in April. Terri Nash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Nash, and Laurie Cowan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Cowan, will attend National 4-H Congress in Chicago in late November. Laura Walton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Walton, will attend North Carolina State 4-H Week in Raleigh, North Carolina during the summer of 1981. Congratulations are due each of the above winners.

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The first ever 4-H Mini Swine Camp will be held in Farmville at the Five County Fairgrounds on Saturday, May 23. The program will begin at 9:30 a.m. and be over around 3:00 p.m. This special program is for 4-H'ers interested in the Market Hog project. 4-H'ers will learn about selection of pigs, financing their projects, facilities, feeding, health and showing techniques.

4-H'ers desiring to obtain feeder pigs to raise as market hogs will have the opportunity to do so. A special program bulletin about the swine camp is available from the Extension Office.

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The 4-H Egg Grading Team participated in an area judging contest in Petersburg last Saturday. Members of the team include Betsy Wingfield, Bernadine Garrett, Warren Moore and Martha Haley. Mrs. Laura McClenny has assisted with the training of the egg grading team.

The Piedmont Junior Livestock Show will be held in Farmville on Thursday, June 11. 4-H'ers and FFA members will be showing beef steers, beef heifers, market hogs and market lambs. There is still time to enter heifers, hogs and lambs for the show. Please call the Extension Office if you are interested.

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Over 150 4-H'ers have built bluebird houses. Several have already said that bluebirds have visited their nesting boxes. Now is the time to have your bluebird houses up as bluebirds are searching for nesting sites.

CVCA discount aide to visit

The Central Virginia Commission on Aging Senior Discount Aide will be at the Farmers National Bank, Triangle Plaza Branch on March 30 from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. for the purpose of issuing Senior Discount Cards to individuals 60 years and older.

Please bring proof of age and social security cards.

Spring sports schedules

APPOMATTOX COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
GIRLS' TENNIS

Date	Team	Place	Time
March 20	J. Forest	H	4:00
March 24	Brookville	A	3:30
March 27	Rustburg	A	4:00
April 1	Altavista	H	4:00
April 9	Liberty	A	3:00
April 14	Altavista	H	4:00
April 17	Gretna	A	4:00
April 22	Liberty	A	3:30
April 24	Wm. C.	A	4:00
April 27	Rustburg	H	4:00
April 28	J. Forest	A	4:00
May 5	Brookville	H	4:00

APPOMATTOX COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
1981 BASEBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Team	Place	Time
March 16	Wm. C.	A	3:30
March 18	E. C. Glass	A	4:00
March 24	Pr. Edward	H	4:00
March 27	Rustburg	H	4:00
March 31	Pr. Edward	A	4:00
April 3	Buck.	H	4:00
April 7	Liberty	H	4:00
April 14	Altavista	A	4:00
April 17	Gretna	H	4:00
April 21	Liberty	A	4:00
April 24	Wm. C.	H	4:00
April 28	J. Forest	H	4:00
May 1	Buck.	A	4:00
May 5	Brookville	A	4:00
May 8	Nelson	H	4:00
May 12	Rustburg	A	4:00

JV BASEBALL

Date	Team	Place	Time
March 19	Pr. Edward	A	4:00
March 24	Nelson	H	4:00
March 27	Cumb'l (2)	A	3:00
March 31	Pr. Edward	H	4:00
April 2	Buck.	H	4:00
April 7	Nelson	A	4:00
April 9	VES	H	3:30
April 14	Amherst	H	4:00
April 16	Liberty	H	4:00
April 21	Buck.	A	4:00
April 23	J. Forest	H	4:00
April 28	Liberty	A	4:00
April 30	Amherst	H	4:30
May 5	J. Forest	A	4:00
May 7	R. Henry	A	3:00

APPOMATTOX COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
GOLF

Date	Team	Place	Time
March 19	Altavista	H	3:30
March 26	Liberty	A	3:30
April 2	Brookville	H	3:30
April 7	Heritage	A	2:00
April 9	Rustburg	A	3:30
April 13	E. C. Glass	A	2:00
April 15	Nottoway	H	2:00
April 16	Nelson C.	A	2:30
April 21	Amherst	A	2:00
April 23	Gretna	H	3:30
April 30	J. Forest	H	3:30

1981 TRACK (Girl's and Boy's)

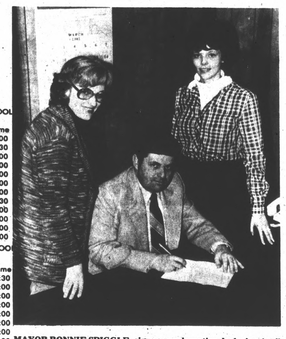
Date	Team	Place	Time
March 18	Altavista	A	3:30
March 25	Brookville	A	3:30
April 1	Liberty	H	3:30
April 8	Rustburg	H	3:30
April 15	Gretna	A	3:30
	Boy's only		
April 22	J. Forest		
	Wm. C.	A J. F.	3:30
April 29	NC-Buck.	A Buck.	3:30

APPOMATTOX COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
BOYS TENNIS

Date	Team	Place	Time
March 20	J. Forest	A	4:00
March 27	Rustburg	H	4:00
April 1	Altavista	H	4:00
April 9	Pr. Edward	A	3:00
April 14	Altavista	A	4:00
April 17	Gretna	H	4:00
April 21	Liberty	A	4:00
April 24	Wm. C.	H	4:00
April 27	Rustburg	A	4:00
April 28	J. Forest	H	4:00
May 1	Pr. Edward	H	3:30
May 5	Brookville	A	4:00

APPOMATTOX COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
1981 SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Date	Team	Place	Time
March 20	Heritage	A	4:00
March 24	Pr. Edward	A	4:00
March 26	E. C. Glass	H	4:00
March 27	Rustburg	A	4:00
March 31	Pr. Edward	H	4:00
April 3	Buck.	A	4:00
April 7	Liberty	A	4:00
April 14	Altavista	H	4:00
April 17	Gretna	A	4:00
April 21	Liberty	H	4:00
April 24	Wm. C.	A	4:00
April 28	J. Forest	A	4:00
May 1	Buck.	H	4:00
May 5	Brookville	H	4:00
May 8	Nelson	A	4:00
May 12	Rustburg	H	4:00



MAYOR RONNIE SPIGGLE, signs a proclamation declaring April as American Cancer Month. Looking on are Claudia Gordon, co-president of the Appomattox Unit of the American Cancer Society and Janet Noble, Crusade Chairman; they join Mayor Spiggle in urging the residents of Appomattox County to support this very worthwhile cause. The first Sunday in April has been proclaimed Cancer Sunday and will be observed in many area churches.

Girls win first

The Raiderette softball team won their season opener last Friday with a 6-2 victory over Heritage High School.

The local girls took a 3-2 lead in the first inning, and then put some "excellent defensive play" together to shut down Heritage, according to Coach Mary Tolley.

"With two out in the bottom of the first inning, and two runners on base, Karen Johnson made a super catch in the deep left field to end the inning and probably prevent three runs," the coach said.

The Raiderettes' first-inning scores came after Robin Paulette reached first base on an error, and stole second base. Lolita Preston then got to first on a fielder's [illegible] and Paulette made it safely to third. The stealthy Preston then stole second base.

After Susan Handy was out on a long fly ball, Robin Martin drove in one run on a single, and Karen Johnson drove in another with a single to left field. The third run was scored on Angie White's fielder's choice.

The Raiderettes scored three more runs in the top of the fifth inning off of three hits, an error and a sacrifice.

Angie Murray pitched a two-hitter for the Raiderettes in garnering her first win of the season.

The leading Raiderette hitters were Preston with two for four, including two runs and three stolen bases; Martin with two for three, including one run, a triple and two runs batted in; and Johnson, with two for three, one run, a double and a run batted in.

Coach Tolley commended the whole team for its "excellent defensive play," especially Johnson, Jaquetta Booker, and Susan Handy.

Raiders drop W.C., E.C. Glass

The varsity Raider baseball team led off its season with two big wins over William Campbell and E.C. Glass March 17 and 18.

William Campbell fell 12-10 in what Raider Coach Howard Claybough termed a "Typical first game, with a lot of runs, hits and errors."

Keith Moon led off the first inning with w home run to put the Raiders up 1-0, but William Campbell came back in their half of the first with two runs, then scored six runs in the second inning to take an 8-2 lead after two innings.

The Raider batters came to life in the third inning, however, as Kenny Burks, Kevin Ferguson, and John Simmons and Jody Williams all had hits and the Raiders closed the gap 8-6.

In the fourth inning, hits by Raiders Bucky Totty, Neal Cole, and Burks produced two more runs to tie the game.

Then in the sixth inning, Totty singled, Neal COle walked, and Burks connected for a home run to put the Raiders back in the lead to stay, 11-8. The Raiders added another run in the sixth inning on a triple by catcher Kevin Ferguson.

Greg Mayberry relieved Kevin Mitchell in the second inning and received credit for his first win in varsity competition.

Clabough said that "Mayberry pitched well considering he had arm trouble earlier in our practice sessions."

The coach also commended Burks for leading the Raider offense with three hits, including a home run and five runs batted in.

The Raiders had 12 hits, including two each by Ferguson and Totty, and committed four errors against William Campbell.

The Raiders picked up their second win of the season on a cold, snowy night at City Stadium in Lynchburg with a 3-1 victory against E. C. Glass.

Clabough said sophomore pitcher Tim Bennett, "looked in mid-season form" as he handcuffed the Glass hitters, giving up only five hits and one unearned run.

Glass scored their only run in the first inning when a pickoff throw to Jody Williams at second base went into center field, allowing the runer to score.

In the third inning the Raiders scored twice to go ahead when designated hitter Greg Mayberry doubled to left field and scored on another double by Rodney Bryant, who went three-for-three for the night.

Bryant later moved to third on a throwing error and scored on a ground out by Bucky Totty.

Appomattox added another run in the fourth inning when Rodney Bryant hit another double, driving in Jody Williams, who had walked and moved to second on a fielder's choice.

Clabough said, "Bennett pitched a great game, considering the weather." The sophomore pitcher walked only one batter and struck out six in the Glass game.

The coach also commended Bryant for "leading the offense" with a three-for-three performance at the plate, including two runs batted in. Neal Cole also had two hits for the Raiders.

The Raiders were scheduled to face off against Prince Edward Tuesday after the Times-Virginian deadline, and will play Rustburg this Friday at home.

Altavista drops boys, girls

Track starts slow

The Raider boys' and girls' track teams lost their opening meet of the season last week against Altavista, 105-31 and 66-39, respectively.

But the contests were not without some bright spots for the local track squads, however.

Ralph Robinson took first place in the High Jump for the Raiders, with a jump of 5' 10".

Wayne Phelps took second place in pole vault competition, with a vault of 9' 6".

Roy Trent took third place in the shot put, and in the high hurdles competition, the Raiders took first and second place, as John Elder cleared the hurdles in 17.5 seconds, and Davin Day recorded a time of 19.5 seconds.

Dennis Fleshman took third places in both the 100 meter run (12.3 seconds) and the 200 meter run (24.6). Ernest Daye won the 400 meter run with a time of 56.5 seconds, and John Elder took second place in the 300 meter hurdles with a time of 46 seconds.

Charlie Walker took second place in the 800 meter run with a time of 1.18 and Jack Williams took third place in the 300 meter run with a time of 12:41.5.

For the Raiderette runners, Susan Eye and Ruby Smith excelled. Eye took a first in the high jump (4'6"), a second in the hurdles (18.9 seconds), and a second in the 800 meters (3.18).

Smith took a first in the long jump (14'2.5") and a first in the 400 meters (1:07.8).

Karen Stevens also excelled for the Raiderettes, scoring a first in the 3200 meters with a time of 16:51.9, and a second in the 1600 meters, with a time of 7:1.

Cindy O'Brien scord a third in the discus with a toss of 30'11" and Judy Martin was third in the 800 meters with a time of 3:22.1

The mile relay team also took first place with a time of five minutes. The team consisted of Corrine Hubbard, Sylvia Trent, Vicky Haskins, and Tina Moore.

Coach Ray Archer said the teams' performances were "not as good as I'd hoped," noting that several of the members had off days.

He did, however, commend Ruby Smith, Susan Eye, Ernest Daye, and Kevin Jaggers for their efforts.

The teams were scheduled to face off against Brookville today (Wednesday) at Brookville.

Babe Ruth Registration

BABE RUTH REGISTRATION, March 29, Fidelity Branch Bank from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. Registration fee is $5.00. Anyone interested in coaching or that will help in any way,please contact Nelson Mann or Jimmy Bollinger.

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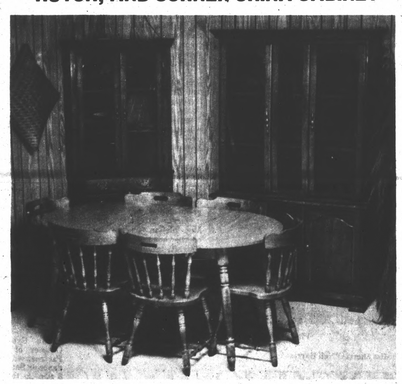

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